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NEW YORK, July 16.—(AP)—The United States government has issued its first official statement on the Ruhr coal situation, and it calls for a "stable and prosperous Germany" as a necessary condition for Europe's recovery and prosperity.

The statement, issued by the State Department, says that the United States is "deeply concerned" over the Ruhr coal situation, and that it is "essential" that the Ruhr be returned to the control of the German government.

The statement also says that the United States is "opposed" to any plan that would "divide" the Ruhr, and that it is "opposed" to any plan that would "allow" the Ruhr to be "used" for the "benefit" of the "German people."

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DETROIT, July 16.—(AP)—General Motors Corp. will close a week of its manufacturing plants, starting Monday, because of the steel industry's "disturbed conditions."

The closure, which means roughly half of the nation's automobiles, said its steel suppliers were so short that it could not continue operations.

Ultimately 180,000 workers will be laid off from the corporation's assembly lines, a GM spokesman said.

There were no immediate indications, however, that other major manufacturers of automobiles would follow suit.

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# New Housing in State Shows Gain

LITTLE ROCK, July 16.—(AP)—Arkansas is getting under way in its new housing program, and the state administration said today.

Satterfield reported that construction mortgage loans were being made by the FHA during the first six months of 1947.

Approximately one-half of this year's loans have been granted to refinancing existing mortgages.

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By DEWITT MACKENZIE  
Foreign Affairs Analyst

The United States government has issued its first official statement on the Ruhr, and it is a statement that is bound to have a profound effect on the future of Europe. The statement, which was issued yesterday, is a clear and unequivocal declaration of the United States' policy toward Germany. It is a policy that is based on the principle that a strong Germany is essential to the recovery of Europe, and that the United States will do everything in its power to help Germany achieve this goal.

## Man Fired

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As to what actually happened, it is not clear. The man, who is now being investigated by the police, is said to have been fired for some reason. The exact details of the case are not known, but it is believed that the man was fired for some reason that is not yet clear.

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By DONALD J. GONZALES  
News Editor

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## Another Roosevelt at White House

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## Letters to the Editor

This is your newspaper. Write to it. Letters criticizing the editorial policy or commenting upon facts in the news columns, are equally welcome. Every writer must sign his name and address but publication of name may be withheld if requested.

## New Housing in State Shows Gain

Little Rock, July 16 (AP)—Arkansas is getting under way in its new housing program. The state administration is said to have issued a preliminary report that construction has begun on a number of new housing units.

## Social and Personal

Phone 768 Between 9 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Thursday July 17  
Hope Chapter 23 O. E. S. will hold its regular meeting Thursday night at 8:30 o'clock at the Masonic Hall. All members are urged to attend.

## The Doctor Says:

BY WILLIAM A. O'BRIEN, M.D.  
Written for NEA Service

It is a fact that the heart is the most important organ of the body. It is the heart that pumps the blood to the rest of the body, and it is the heart that keeps the body alive. Therefore, it is very important to take care of the heart. One of the best ways to take care of the heart is to exercise regularly. Exercise helps to keep the heart strong and healthy, and it also helps to keep the blood flowing smoothly. Therefore, it is very important to exercise regularly.

## Back Home in Asylum After Burning Four

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The four men who were burned in the asylum are now back home. They are now back home, and they are now back home. They are now back home, and they are now back home.

## Marine Recruiter Is Commissioned Arkansas Traveler

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The Marine recruiter is now a commissioned Arkansas traveler. He is now a commissioned Arkansas traveler, and he is now a commissioned Arkansas traveler. He is now a commissioned Arkansas traveler, and he is now a commissioned Arkansas traveler.

## Death of a Doll

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The death of a doll is a tragedy. It is a tragedy, and it is a tragedy. It is a tragedy, and it is a tragedy. It is a tragedy, and it is a tragedy.

## Senate May Disregard House Bill

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The Senate may disregard the House Bill. It may disregard the House Bill, and it may disregard the House Bill. It may disregard the House Bill, and it may disregard the House Bill.

## Girl Defies

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The girl defies. She defies, and she defies. She defies, and she defies. She defies, and she defies.

## Weak Nerves

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## Market Report

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# Ruhr Coal Key to Europe's Recovery; U. S. Adopts New Policy for Strong Germany

By DEWITT MACKENZIE  
Foreign Affairs Analyst  
The United States government has issued its first official statement on the Ruhr coal situation. It states that the Ruhr coal situation is a key to Europe's recovery and that the United States will adopt a new policy for a strong Germany.

## Man Fired

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As to what actually happened, it is said, Alderman Frank Douglas declared the mayor had overstepped his authority in ordering the dismissal of the man.

A dangerous condition at the big municipal plant Monday morning, when Alderman Lyle Moore called attention to the fact that part of the fence had been removed, allowing cattle to wander over the field and eat the growing corn.

The council authorized him to have the fence repaired. The council also authorized him to have the water and light plant.

Such an 11 power conference is advanced because it would provide a broad basis for the participation of all interested parties in the Ruhr coal situation.

President Truman takes 4-year-old Theodore Roosevelt IV, great-grandson of the late President, to the White House grounds on the day of his birthday.

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# Conference on Jap Peace Is Called

By DONALD J. GONZALES  
News Editor  
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# Genl. Motors to Close for One Week

Detroit, July 15 — (AP) — General Motors Corp. will close a week of its manufacturing plants for one week, starting Monday, because of the steel industry's "disturbed conditions."

The closure will affect the production of the nation's automobiles, as its steel supplies were short to meet full-time operations. It blamed the "coal-mining situation" of early July.

Ultimately 180,000 workers will be laid off from the corporation's assembly lines, a GM spokesman said. The corporation, which employs a total of 265,000 production workers, recently reached a week of output of 30,000 cars.

There were no immediate indications, however, that other major manufacturers of motorcars would follow suit. The GM spokesman said.

Truck operations will not be affected nor will GM's household appliances. The corporation said. Truck production recently was curtailed for model changes.

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# Social and Personal

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Hope Chapter 23 O. E. S. will hold its regular meeting Thursday night at 8:30 o'clock at the Masonic Hall. All members are urged to attend.

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# Reds Unlikely to Block Jap Peace

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# Jap Peace

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

Washington, July 17.—(AP)—Despite the widening split between Russia and the western allies in Europe, American officials still hope today that Moscow will agree to Japanese peace treaty free of any big power veto.

If the Kremlin rejects the United States proposal which it now is under consideration, this government will be faced with decisions whether to go ahead with a "rate" treaty with Japan—thus one without Soviet participation.

Unlike her position in Germany, Russia has no occupation force in Japan and controls no Japanese territory. Her officials there tend to a separate peace, and a Japanese government would not be made to work.

The American proposal for a veto-free conference of 11 nations to begin work on the Japanese problem is being discussed.

It is a radical departure from two respects.

European peace-making process in two respects.

In the first place the conference would make decisions by a thirds vote, with or without concurring votes of the big powers.

Second place the treaty would be done not alone by great powers but by seven nations as well, each with

The countries, v. States, proposed for participation are the big four of the Far East—America, Britain, China, and Australia, New Zealand, France, India, Japan, Korea, and the USSR—plus the Philippines, the Netherlands, and Canada.

In the case of Europe, the big four flatly opposed any such wide participation and insisted that the treaties be written by the big four—America, France,

Eventually, the Americans contemplate a full dress peace conference to be attended by all the 48 nations which are and technically still are at war with Japan.

But the first stage is a nation meeting, which the States suggested should open in Washington or San Francisco in August 1945. The subject to change.

For one thing, British co-

## Uniformity of Arms to

## Be Enforced

Before stamping its approval on the bill, the committee voted an amendment to provide for the execution of the program consistent with the United Nations "good neighbor program."

It also added a clause which would require the president to inform the aid to any country.

The original measure provided for a ten-year program with an annual expenditure of \$10,000,000. The committee, by a majority of 11 to 5, rejected the bill, and wrote in a specification that the total cost could not exceed \$500,000.

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## Veto of Tax

# Cut Bill to Be Short

Ross did not estimate the age of the message, but reporters it will not be "very old as long" as Mr. Ross stated in June regarding legislation to slash tax \$500,000,000.

Meanwhile House Minority Leader Rayburn (D-Tex.) said the Democratic party welcomes

"The Democratic party proper kind of tax reduction proper time the Taxpayers' Party. But if the party want to throw this kind into the campaign, we'll for the issue.

"This bill gives a great people too much and a great more too little."